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Mr. Michael McAteer (1 copy)
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Re: Sauget Sites Area I January 21, 1999 Administrative Order by Consent June 25, 1999 Support Sampling Plan as approved by letter dated September 9, 1999 ("AOC")

• Revised Human Health Risk Assessment Submittal

Dear Mr. McAteer,

On January 8, 2001 Solutia Inc. ("Solutia") submitted to the Agencies a draft Human Health Risk Assessment ("HHRA") for soils, sediments, surface water, air and groundwater pursuant to the AOC. The risk assessments for soils, sediments, surface water and air are pursuant to Task 4, "Engineering Evaluation / Cost Analysis Report (EE/CA)", "EECA Outline", Paragraph 2.5 "Streamlined Risk Evaluation" of the EECA/RIFS SOW. The risk assessment for groundwater is pursuant to Task 5; "RIFS (Groundwater)", Paragraph 2 "Risk Assessment for Groundwater" of the EECA/RIFS SOW.

Solutia received Agencies' Comments on the January 8, 2001 draft HHRA submittal in a letter dated February 16, 2001. These Comments were comprehensively discussed with the Agencies in a meeting held at the Sauget Village Hall on February 21, 2001. Solutia responded to the Agencies' January 8, 2001 Comments and pursuant to the February 21, 2001 discussions in a letter dated March 30, 2001. Additional discussions followed in interim telephone conversations and in meetings on April 18 and May 23. This submittal reflects the agreements and understandings reached in those discussions. The Ecological Risk Assessment ("ERA") is still being revised to address the Agencies' more extensive comments. Consequently, the ERA will not be submitted concurrently with the HHRA. The date for submittal of the revised ERA has not yet been determined. As you are aware, discussions between the Agency and Solutia's risk assessors to determine the precise nature of the required modifications and the time to produce the revisions are still taking place.

As agreed, upon Agencies' approval of the revised HHRA, the document will be issued in its final form and appropriate information from the approved HHRA will be incorporated into the EE/CA and RI/FS Report.

Sincerely,

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